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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER SMALL ENTITY APPLICATION**

Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed a patent application and formal papers as follows:

Applicant(s): Christian Lanctot, Pierre Moffat and Patrick Salois

Title: NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULE, METHOD AND KIT FOR SELECTING A NUCLEIC ACID  
HAVING A DESIRED FEATURE

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Also enclosed are: Executed Small Entity Form, Declaration and Power of Attorney, Associate Power of Attorney, Assignment and Recordation Form, Statement Under 37 CFR §1.821, Amendment Under 37 §1.823, Information Disclosure Statement, Cited Art and Diskette with Sequence Listing

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